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1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO HYDROMET FOR FURTHER TRANSMISSION TO DUBCHAK AND KARAYEV.
2. PROTOCOL AGREEMENT OF THE WORKING GROUP ON MARINE POLLUTION FROM OIL AND GAS WELL OPERATIONS, SIGNED MAY 22, 1973.
3. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THIS GROUP BE SEPARATE FROM THE WORKING GROUP ON MARINE POLLUTION DUE TO SHIPPING, BUT CONTINUE COORDINATION ON MUTUAL PROBLEMS.
4. BOTH SIDES DESIRE TO BROADEN SCOPE OF WORKING GROUP TO INCLUDE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS RELATED TO OIL AND GAS DRILLING AND PRODUCTION OPERATIONS ON BOTH LAND AND SEA. EACH SIDE WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS THROUGH PROPER NATIONAL CHANNELS.

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5. PRINCIPAL TOPICS FOR CONSIDERATION IN 1974 AND 1975
ARE:

(A) METHODS AND TECHNIQUES FOR PREVENTION OF POLLUTION
OF THE SEA AND OTHER WATER BODIES DURING DRILLING
AND DEVELOPMENT OF OIL FIELDS AND TRANSPORTATION
OF OIL BY PIPELINES.

(B) COLLECTION, TREATMENT, AND DISPOSAL OF OIL
FIELD WASTE WATERS.

6. BOTH SIDES AGREE TO INCREASE SIZE OF WORKING GROUP TO
ABOUT 8 FROM EACH COUNTRY FOR THE NEXT MEETING IN USSR IN
SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER 1973. PORTER

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